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CELLS FOR DRUG SCREENING AND  
TOXICITY TESTING

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION  
UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria VA 22313

Dear Sir,

This paper is supplemental to the Responses under § 1.116 filed September 15, 2004, and April 11, 2005. An Appeal Brief was due in this application on March 10, 2005, and the deadline was previously extended to April 10, 2005. This paper is accompanied by a Request for a further two month extension of time, setting the deadline to June 10, 2005. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

The following amendments and remarks place the application in better condition for allowance or appeal. Applicant requests entry of this paper into the file pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.116.